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with respect to these documents cited under other documents in the Information Disclosure Statements. Applicant has also admitted in the Information Disclosure Statements and in the Reissue Declaration that these documents are prior art. Applicant has fully complied with the Duty of Disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and understands that the Examiner has placed these documents in the file.

The Examiner also objected to the assent of assignee based on the signature of the person signing the submission not providing the title which indicates their capacity to sign. In response, applicant has submitted a Declaration from the Board of Directors signed by Directors Gutzmer and Bergmann indicating that Mr. Jes Carstensen is the Head of the Intellectual Property Department for Schaeffler KG, formerly "INA-Schaeffler KG" and that he has complete authority in the company with respect to matters concerning intellectual property including the authorization to sign reissue applications, reexamination applications and to grant powers of attorney. Additionally, a new reissue application Consent of Assignee form is enclosed in which Mr. Carstensen's title as Director of Intellectual Property has been indicated. In view of these documents, it is respectfully submitted that the assent of the assignee for this reissue application has been properly established.

It was also noted in the Action that the oath was defective because it failed to contain the exact statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.175(a)(2). In response, applicant has submitted a Supplemental Declaration Power of Attorney for the reissue

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application which now includes the exact language specified from 37 C.F.R. §1.175(a)(2). Accordingly, the oath is now believed to be acceptable in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.175.

As no substantive rejections were raised for claims 1 and 4-9 as submitted with the reissue application, applicant respectfully submits that this reissue application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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